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Lewis County Public Health Water Laboratory Reopening

We are pleased to announce that the Lewis County Public Health Water Laboratory will reopen Monday November 15, 2021, following closure due to plumbing-related water damage.

Sample bottles are now available for pick up on the third floor of the Public Health building at 360 NW North Street in Chehalis.

Bacteria samples are accepted Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Nitrate samples are accepted Mondays and Tuesdays 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. The office is closed for lunch from 11:30 am-12:30 pm.

Those on the East end of the county may also drop their water samples off on the first Monday of the month before 9:30 am at one of the locations noted below. If that falls on a holiday, the pickup will be the following Monday.

Morton City Hall
Randle Post Office
Packwood Post Office

Please see below for alternate holiday-related operating hours.

No raws (surface water samples) can be accepted the week of a holiday closure. In addition, please mark the following dates on your calendar:

Tuesday, November 23, 2021	Samples accepted until 2:00 pm.
Wednesday, November 24, 2021	No coliform samples accepted.
Thursday, November 25th, 2021	Closed, Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 26, 2021	Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday
Friday, December 24, 2021	Closed, Christmas Holiday
Friday, December 31, 2021	Closed, New Year's Day (observed)

If you have any questions regarding testing procedures, results, or requirements, please contact the water lab at (360) 740-1237 or the front office at (360) 740-1222.

If you had purchased bottles that you were not able to use due to our closure, or if you would like bottles mailed to you, please call (360) 740-1222.

Sincerely,
Lewis County Water Lab Staff

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